

# **EXHIBIT A**

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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| In re:                            | : | Chapter 11 Case      |
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| LEHMAN BROTHERS HOLDINGS INC., et | : | No. 08-13555 (JMP)   |
| al.                               | : |                      |
|                                   | : | Jointly Administered |
| Debtors.                          | : |                      |
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**CERTIFICATION UNDER GUIDELINES FOR DISBURSEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONALS IN  
RESPECT OF FIRST INTERIM APPLICATION OF QUINN EMANUEL URQUHART  
OLIVER & HEDGES, LLP FOR ALLOWANCE OF INTERIM COMPENSATION FOR  
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED AND EXPENSES INCURRED DURING THE  
PERIOD SEPTEMBER 15, 2008 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2009**

Pursuant to the Guidelines for Fees and Disbursements for Professionals in Southern District of New York Bankruptcy Cases adopted by the Court on June 24, 1991 and amended April 21, 1995 (together, the "Local Guidelines"), and the United States Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330, adopted on January 30, 1996 (the "U.S. Trustee Guidelines" and, together with the Local Guidelines, the "Guidelines"), the undersigned, a partner with the firm Quinn Emanuel Urquhart Oliver & Hedges LLP ("Quinn Emanuel"), special counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") of Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned cases (collectively, "Lehman" or the "Debtors"), hereby certifies with respect to Quinn Emanuel's first application for interim allowance of compensation for services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses, dated April 10, 2009 (the "Application"), for the period September 15, 2008 through and including January 31, 2009 (the "First Interim Compensation Period") as follows:

1. I am the professional designated by Quinn Emanuel in respect of compliance with the Guidelines.

2. I make this certification in support of the Application, for interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses for the First Interim Compensation Period, in accordance with the Local Guidelines.

3. In respect of section B.1 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that:

a. I have read the Application.

b. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the fees and disbursements sought fall within the Local Guidelines.

c. Except to the extent that fees or disbursements are prohibited by the Guidelines, the fees and disbursements sought are billed at rates in accordance with practices customarily employed by Quinn Emanuel and generally accepted by Quinn Emanuel's clients.

d. In providing a reimbursable service to the Committee, Quinn Emanuel does not make a profit on that service, whether the service is performed by Quinn Emanuel in-house or through a third party.

4. In respect of section B.2 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that Quinn Emanuel has provided, on a monthly basis, statements of Quinn Emanuel's fees and disbursements accrued during the previous month, by serving monthly statements in accordance with the Compensation Order (as defined in the Application).

5. In respect of section B.3 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that copies of the Application are being provided to (a) the Debtors, (b) counsel for the Debtors, and (C) the Office of the United States Trustee in accordance with the Compensation Order (as defined in the Application).

Dated: April 10, 2009  
New York, New York

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